Amendments to the Claims

- 1. (cancelled)
- 2. (cancelled)
- 3. (currently amended) An apparatus for positioning at least one medical treatment device or treatment supporting device by a transportation means to move said device to a predetermined position, wherein said transportation means includes a movable vehicle on which said device is positioned and an automatically guided transport system, and wherein said automatically guided transport system comprises at least one of the following navigation systems:
 - an optical tracking navigation system;
 - a laser navigation system;
 - a magnetic navigation system;
 - an inductive guidance navigation system.
- 4. (previously amended) The apparatus as set forth in claim 3, wherein said device is a nuclear spin tomograph.
- 5. (original) The apparatus as set forth in claim 4, wherein said nuclear spin tomographic device comprises super-conductive coils of a magnetic flux density of approximately 0.5 Tesla.
- 6. (previously amended) The apparatus as set forth in claim 3, wherein said device is one of the following:
 - a device related to computer tomography;
 - an x-ray bow;
 - a microscope;
 - an operating table;
 - a surgeon's stool;
 - a treatment navigation device;
 - an anesthesia-related device;
 - a vehicle for accessories;
 - an autoclave device;
 - a patient-supervising monitor;

- a sterile material.
- 7. (currently amended) The apparatus as set forth in claim 2 3, wherein said transport system includes a control unit carried by said vehicle, and said control unit includes a radio or wire interface for external control.
- 9. (currently amended) A method for positioning at least one medical treatment device or treatment supporting device, said device being moved to a predetermined position by a transportation means including a movable vehicle on which the device is carried, wherein said transportation means is controlled by an automatically guided transport system; and wherein said automatically guided transport system uses at least one of the following navigation systems for steering purposes:
 - an optical tracking navigation system;
 - a laser navigation system;
 - a magnetic navigation system;
 - an inductive guidance navigation system.
- 10. (previously amended) The method as set forth in claim 9, wherein a mobile nuclear spin tomographic device is transported.
- 11. (previously amended) The method as set forth in claim 9, wherein one of the following devices is being transported:
 - a device related to computer tomography;
 - an x-ray bow;
 - a microscope, particularly a surgical microscope;
 - an operating table;
 - a surgeon's stool;
 - a treatment navigation device;
 - an anesthesia-related device;
 - a vehicle for accessories;
 - an autoclave device;
 - a patient-supervising monitor;
 - a sterile material.

- 12. (currently amended) The method as set forth in 9, wherein said device is carried on a vehicle, said transport system is provided on said vehicle and is externally activated via a radio or wire interface.
- 15. (currently amended) An apparatus for positioning at least one medical treatment device or treatment supporting device by a transportation means to move said device to a predetermined position, wherein said transportation means includes an automatically guided transport system, and wherein said automatically guided transport system comprises [The apparatus as set forth in claim 3, wherein said transport system is] an optical tracking navigation system, and said optical tracking navigation system includes a ground guidance band and an optical sensor for sensing the ground guidance band.
- 16. (previously added) The apparatus as set forth in claim 15, wherein the optical tracking navigation system includes a path measuring system.
- 17. (previously added) The apparatus as set forth in claim 3, wherein said transport system is a laser navigation system, and said laser navigation system includes a laser, reflectors and a path measuring system.
- 18. (currently amended) An apparatus for positioning at least one medical treatment device or treatment supporting device by a transportation means to move said device to a predetermined position, wherein said transportation means includes an automatically guided transport system, and wherein said automatically guided transport system comprises [The apparatus as set forth in claim 3, wherein said transport system is] a magnetic navigation system, and said magnetic navigation system includes a ground floor magnetic track or magnetic strip and a path measuring system.
- 19. (currently amended) An apparatus for positioning at least one medical treatment device or treatment supporting device by a transportation means to move said device to a predetermined position, wherein said transportation means includes an automatically guided transport system, and wherein said automatically guided transport system comprises [The apparatus as set forth in claim 3, wherein said transport system is] an inductive guidance navigation system, and said inductive guidance navigation system includes a ground guidance wire with a frequency generator, and a steering antenna.

- 20. (previously added) The apparatus as set forth in claim 19, wherein the inductive guidance navigation system includes a path measuring system.
- 21. (previously added) The apparatus as set forth in claim 3, wherein said movable vehicle is self-driven.
- 22. (previously added) The apparatus as set forth in claim 3, wherein the device is an image-generating device.
- 23. (currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 9, wherein said device is carried on a vehicle, and the vehicle is self-driven.
- 24. (currently amended) A method for positioning at least one medical treatment device or treatment supporting device, said device being moved to a predetermined position by a transportation means, wherein said transportation means is controlled by an automatically guided transport system; and wherein said automatically guided transport system uses at least one of the following navigation systems for steering purposes:
 - <u>an optical tracking navigation system;</u>
 - a laser navigation system;
 - <u>a magnetic navigation system;</u>
 - an inductive guidance navigation system; and

[The method as set forth in claim 9,] wherein said device is moved to a pre-position at a first speed and then moved from the pre-position to an operative position at a slower speed for more precise positioning of the device at the operative position.